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(B) MICOM 171738Z MAR 76 (NOTAL)

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1. REFTEL A STATES THAT ACCESS TO US CLASSIFIED INFORMATION FOR EGYPTIAN ADVISORS TO KADF STILL UNDER CONSIDERATION, BUT RESOLUTION NOT EXPECTED QUICKLY.

2. REFTEL C PROVIDES AGENDA FOR IHAWK MEETING IN KUWAIT 10-20 APR 76 TO DISCUSS IHAWK CONSTRUCTION. REFTEL B REQUESTS ATTEMPT OBTAIN DECISION BY GOK ON FIRING SITE LOCATION.

3. KADF HAS WITHHELD DECISION ON HARDNESS (FORTIFICATION) OF FIRING SITES PENDING RECEIPT OF SECRET MICOM STUDY (RPT C-TR-75-4). DECISION ON SITE LOCATION BEING HELD IN ABEYANCE PENDING RECEIPT OF SECRET IHAWK PERFORMANCE DATA (FM 44-1A).

4. ONLU KNOWLEDGEABLE PERSONNEL WITH KDAF ARE THE THREE EGYPT- IAN ADVISORS WHO HANDLE ALL RPT ALL AIR DEFENSE MATTERS.

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5. LOCALLY, WE HAVE NOT YET FORWARDED US CLASSIFIED DOCUMENTS

TO GOK SINCE GOK HAS NOT YET ESTABLISHED SYSTEM, ETC., REQUIRED BY TERMS OF TECHNICAL SECURITY AGREEMENT. (NOTE: WHILE GOK HAS A CLASSIFICATION SYSTEM, IT DOES NOT HAVE A CONTROL-ACCOUNTABILITY SYSTEM).

6. REVIEW OF TECHNICAL SECURITY AGREEMENT INDICATED THAT A SUFFICIENT CRITERIA FOR ACCESS TO US CLASSIFIED IS:

- A. GOOD CHARACTER, ETC. (GOK DETERMINATION);
- B. DETERMINATION OF CITIZENSHIP (NOT NECESSARILY GOK OR US);
- C. PERSON TO BE A NATIONAL OF KUWAIT.

7 DISTINCTION BETWEEN NATIONAL AND CITIZEN NOT COMPLETELY CLEAR. REVIEW OF DEFINITIONS IN FOUR DICTIONARIES PROVIDES TWO (WEBSTERS NEW WORLD DICTIONARY OF THE AMERICAN LANGUAGE, SECOND COLLEGE EDITION, AND WEBSTERS SEVENTH NEW COLLEGIATE DICTIONARY) THAT INDICATE CITIZENSHIP NOT REQUIRED TO BE A NATIONAL; ONE (WEBSTER NEW INTERNATIONAL DICTIONARY-SECOND ED UNABRIDGED) WHICH IS NOT CLEAR AND ONE (WEBSTERS NEW WORLD DICTIONARY OF THE AMERICAN LANGUAGE, COLLEGE ED 1966) WHICH INDICATES CITIZENSHIP REQUIRED. IF CITIZENSHIP NOT REQUIRED, THEN SECONDED FOREIGN OFFICERS (EGYPTIAN, UK, ETC) WOULD APPEAR TO BE NATIONALS OF KUWAIT. WE ASSUME DOD POSITION IS THAT CITIZENSHIP REQUIRED.

8. SINCE ONLY EGYPTIAN ADVISORS INVOLVED IN SUBSTANTIVE AIR DEFENSE DISCUSSIONS, IT IS OUR OPINION THAT ANY DOCUMENT CLASSIFIED OR UNCLASSIFIED THIS SUBJECT WILL AT LEAST INITIALLY BE GIVEN TO EGYPTIAN ADVISORS WITH PALESTINIAN CLERKS HANDLING THE DOCUMENTS.

9. ALTERNATIVES APPEAR TO BE:

A. CONTINUE TO WITHHOLD CLASSIFIED INFO UNTIL GOK IMPLEMENTS MECHANICAL ASPECTS OF TECHNICAL SECURITY AGREEMENT. THIS PROCEDURE WILL (1) EXPEDITE GOK ESTABLISHMENT OF ACCOUNTABILITY, ETC.; (2) CAUSE SOME PROBLEMS FOR IHAWK PROGRAM BY NOT ALLOWING CERTAIN IMPORTANT MATTERS TO BE DISCUSSED; (3) ALLOW ADDITIONAL TIME FOR CONSIDERATION OF ACCESS FOR EGYPTIAN ADVISORS.

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B. DELIVER IMMEDIATELY ALL CLASSIFIED INFORMATION OTHERWISE RELEASED TO GOK. THIS WILL (1) PROVIDE SECRET INFO UNDER CONDITIONS WHERE EGYPTIANS WILL PROBABLY HAVE FULL ACCESS; (2) NEGATE URGENCY OF GOK IMPLEMENTING ALL REQUIREMENTS SPECIFIED IN SECURITY AGREEMENT.

C. DELIVER SELECTED DOCUMENTS SUCH AS MICOM RPT C-TR-75-4 PRIOR TO FULL COMPLIANCE BY GOK WITH AGREEMENT. THIS WOULD

ALLOW: (1) DESIGN OF HARDENED SITES TO BE DISCUSSED (PRESUMABLY WITH EGYPTIANS - THERE IS NO ONE ELSE); (2) PROVIDE INDICATION/PROOF OF GOK INTENTIONS RE ACCESS FOR EGYPTIANS.

10. LOCALLY, WE WOULD PREFER THE LATTER COURSE OF ACTION PROVIDED DOD REVIEW OF DOCUMENT IN QUESTION DETERMINES THAT ADVERSE EFFECTS ON US SECURITY IF INFO FALLS INTO HANDS OF EGYPTIANS (WHICH WE EXPECT WILL HAPPEN) CAN BE ACCEPTED.

11. UNTIL OTHERWISE ADVISED, WE WILL WITHHOLD CLASSIFIED DOCUMENTS UNTIL GOK IS IN COMPLIANCE WITH DETAILED REQUIREMENTS OF SECURITY AGREEMENT.

12. REQUEST PROVIDE GUIDANCE ALCON.
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